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SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL REPLY TO FOURTH OF JULY MESSAGE FROM
PRESIDENT FRANGIE

1. EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO DELIVER THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE
FROM PRESIDENT FORD TO PRESIDENT FRANGIE:

QUOTE:

HIS EXCELLENCY
SLEIMAN FRANGIE
PRESIDENT OF
THE REPUBLIC OF LEBANON
BEIRUT

DEAR PR. PRESIDENT:

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ON BEHALF OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE,

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I THANK YOU FOR YOUR MESSAGE OF CONGRATULATIONS ON THE OCCASION OF THE ONE HUNDRED AND NINETY-NINTH ANNIVERSARY OF OUR INDEPENDENCE AS A NATION. YOUR KIND AND THOUGHTFUL MESSAGE SYMBOLIZES THE CLOSE FRIENDSHIP AND MUTUAL TRUST WHICH HAVE LONG CHARACTERIZED RELATIONS BETWEEN OUR TWO PEOPLE. SINCERELY, GERALD R. FORD. UNQUOTE.

2. FYI. THE TEXT OF PRESIDENT FRANGIE'S MESSAGE IS AS FOLLOWS: QUOTE. SON EXCELLENCE MONSIEUR LE PRESIDENT GERALD R. FORD, PRESIDENT DES ETATS-UNIS D'AMERIQUE, WASHINGTON. A L'OCCASION DE LA FETE NATIONALE DES ETATS-UNIS D'AMERIQUE J'ADDRESSE A VOTRE EXCELLENCE AVEC MAS PLUS SINCERES FELICITATIONS LES VOEUX QUE LE PEUPLE LIBANAIS ET MOI-MEME FORMONS POUR VOTRE BONHEUR PERSONNEL AINSI QUE POUR LA PROSPERITE DU PEUPLE AMERICAIN. SLEIMAN FRANGIE. UNQUOTE.

3. DEPARTMENT DOES NOT PLAN RELEASE BUT HAS NO OBJECTION TO GOJ DOING SO. INGERSOLL

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